

**Equipment for Wildlife Conservation Programs Statewide****FY2003 Request:****\$100,000****Reference No:****35794****AP/AL:** Appropriation**Project Type:** Equipment**Category:** Natural Resources**Location:** Statewide**Contact:** Wayne Regelin**Election District:** Statewide**Contact Phone:** (907)465-4190**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2002 - 06/30/2007**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

Wildlife Conservation has deferred equipment replacement and maintenance for several years in order to more fully fund management and research programs necessary for responsible resource management. Division staff are now using outdated and inadequate equipment for field research and management. In some cases this outdated equipment is no longer safe or reliable under normal field use and conditions. Needed equipment includes: snow machines, printer/plotter, all-terrain vehicles, outboard motors & boats, and aircraft engines.

**Funding:**

	FY2003	FY2004	FY2005	FY2006	FY2007	FY2008	Total
Fish/Game	\$100,000						\$100,000
Total:	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$100,000

<input type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased Project	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On-Going Project
0% = Minimum State Match % Required		<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Bill

**Operating & Maintenance Costs:**

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Total Operating Impact:	0	0
One-Time Startup Costs:	0	
Additional Estimated Annual O&M:	0	0

**Prior Funding History / Additional Information:**

Similar appropriations for equipment of \$100.0 each from the Fish & Game Fund were authorized by SLA01, CH 139, pg 48, In16, and SLA02, CH 61, pg 18, In 19.

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This appropriation seeks to provide funds for large equipment purchases that have no other funding mechanism for replacement. Field research and management staff need access to large areas of land and water and must use motor vehicles, all-terrain vehicles, snowmachines, and boats. Technological equipment is also necessary to help staff communicate in the field and to enhance computer applications including GPS and web-based software development.

Historically, the following equipment has been purchased by the two recent appropriations: new computers for the Information Management section; a pickup truck for the Ketchikan Area Office; snowmachines for Glenallen, Soldotna, and Galena; ATVs for the Glenallen and Tok offices; satellite radio receivers, a boat and motor for the Bethel office; a boat and motor for the waterfowl program; aviation safety helmets and headsets for field biologist staff, and a SQL computer server for web development.

The Division expects to review current regional needs and replacement schedules when this appropriation is authorized. Items that have been identified by regional supervisors as critical to their mission and could be purchased by this CIP include (but are not limited) the following:

Snowmachines for Barrow, Bethel, and McGrath - \$15,000

Iridium Satellite Phones for Interior Region - \$1,000

Boat and engine for Ft. Yukon - \$21,000

Boat and engine for Galena - \$12,000

All Terrain Vehicles (3) - \$21,000

4x4 Pickup Truck for Soldotna - \$25,000

Aircraft engine - \$15,000

Large Format Plotter - \$14,000